

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1-18 (cancelled)

19. (new): A film-forming starchy composition for the film-coating of solid forms or for the preparation of films, wherein said composition exhibits an amylose content of between 25 and 45%, this percentage being expressed by dry weight with respect to the dry weight of starch present in said composition, and wherein said composition comprises at least one stabilized starch.

20. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 19, which exhibits an amylose content of between 30 and 44%, this percentage being expressed by dry weight with respect to the dry weight of starch present in said composition.

21. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 19, which exhibits an amylose content of between 35 and 40%, this percentage being expressed by dry weight with respect to the dry weight of starch present in said composition.

22. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 19, which comprises at least one legume starch exhibiting an amylose content of less than 45%.

23. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 22

wherein said legume starch is stabilized.

24. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 22 wherein said legume starch is hydroxypropylated and optionally fluidification-treated.

25. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 19 which additionally comprises a plasticizer.

26. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 25 wherein said plasticizer is selected from the group consisting of sorbitol, glycerol, polyethylene glycol, triethyl citrate, polysorbate, carnauba wax and hydrogenated castor oil, alone or as a mixture with one another.

27. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 19 which additionally comprises a secondary film-forming agent selected from the group consisting of cellulose derivatives, alginates, carrageenates, polyvinylpyrrolidone, poly(vinyl phthalate), dextrose, zein, pullulan, acrylic polymers, polyvinyl alcohol, gelatin, dextrans and mixtures thereof.

28. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 19 which comprises 10 to 15% by weight of stabilized pea starch and 1 to 2% by weight of plasticizer.

29. (new): A pulverulent film-forming starchy composition for the film-coating of solid forms or for the preparation of films,

wherein said composition exhibits an amylose content of between 25 and 45%, this percentage being expressed by dry

weight with respect to the dry weight of starch present in said composition,

wherein said composition comprises:

from 15 to 75% by weight of stabilized pea starch,

from 1 to 20% by weight of a secondary film-forming agent.

30. (new): A pulverulent film-forming starchy composition for the film-coating of solid forms or for the preparation of films,

wherein said composition exhibits an amylose content of between 25 and 45%, this percentage being expressed by dry weight with respect to the dry weight of starch present in said composition,

wherein said composition comprises:

from 15 to 75% by weight of hydroxypropylated pea starch,

from 1 to 20% by weight of a secondary film-forming agent.

31. (new): A pulverulent film-forming starchy composition for the film-coating of solid forms or for the preparation of films,

wherein said composition exhibits an amylose content of between 25 and 45%, this percentage being expressed by dry weight with respect to the dry weight of starch present in said composition,

wherein said composition comprises:

from 15 to 75% by weight of hydroxypropylated and fluidification-treated pea starch,

from 1 to 20% by weight of a secondary film-forming agent.

32. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 29 which additionally comprises from 1 to 20% of microcrystalline cellulose.

33. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 29 which additionally comprises from 5 to 15% of plasticizer, by dry weight with respect to said composition.

34. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 29, wherein the secondary film-forming agent is a cellulose derivative.

35. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 19, which exhibits a viscosity of less than 500 mPa·s at 25°C and a solids content of 10%.

36. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 19, which comprises at least one pharmaceutical active substance.

37. (new): A process for the film-coating of solid forms, which comprises the spraying of a film-forming composition as claimed in claim 19 over a bed of moving cores.

38. (new): A process for coating solid forms, which comprises the immersion of the solid forms in a film-forming composition as claimed in claim 19.

39. (new): The process as claimed in claim 38, wherein said solid forms are selected from the group consisting of capsules, including hard gelatin capsules.

40. (new): A process for the preparation of films, which consists in spreading a film-forming composition as claimed in claim 19 over a flat or cylindrical surface, followed by drying at ambient temperature or under hot conditions.

41. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 30 which additionally comprises from 1 to 20% of microcrystalline cellulose.

42. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 30 which additionally comprises from 5 to 15% of plasticizer, by dry weight with respect to said composition.

43. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 30, wherein the secondary film-forming agent is a cellulose derivative.

44. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 31 which additionally comprises from 1 to 20% of microcrystalline cellulose.

45. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 31 which additionally comprises from 5 to 15% of plasticizer, by dry weight with respect to said composition

46. (new): The composition as claimed in claim 31, wherein the secondary film-forming agent is a cellulose derivative.